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Sir:

Enclosed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.

A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.
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